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... and fireworks too!

www.germantownoktoberfest.org

Reminder . . .

Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board Meeting Monday, October 6 7:00pm-9:00pm Upcounty Regional Services Center 12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown

Topic: The Achievement Gap in Montgomery County Public Schools

Guest: Timothy B. Warner, Chief Engagement and Partnership Officer

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Alert Montgomery Emergency Warning System Enhanced; Subscribers Encouraged to Update Accounts

See details in press release http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=14113

Ride On Schedule Changes Effective October 1

Starting October 1, the Route 83 Ride On bus that provides service between the Germantown Transit Center at Milestone and the Germantown Park and Ride Lot was extended to provide daily service to the new Holy Cross Hospital in Germantown and Montgomery College in Germantown.

The route will operate:

- About every 30 minutes from 4:29 a.m. to 11:29 p.m. Monday through Friday;
- About every 30 minutes from 6:29 a.m. to 9:29 p.m. on Saturdays; and
- About every 30 minutes from 6:59 a.m. to 8:59 p.m. on Sundays.

The new timetable is available <u>online</u> or at http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DOT-Transit/Resources/Files/83 LG WEB.pdf



Council President Craig Rice to Hold Community Meeting for Upcounty Wednesday, October 8 6:30pm
Rocky Hill Middle School Cafeteria
22401 Brick Haven Way, Clarksburg

Council President Rice Will Discuss Roads and Mass Transit, Schools, New Hospital in Germantown, Development, Future Outlet Mall.

For more information about the community meeting, call 240-777-7955 or e-mail Councilmember Rice at Councilmember.rice@montgomerycountymd.gov



The Frank Islam Athenaeum Symposia presents . . .

South African Ambassador Ebrahim Rasool

Thursday, October 9 7:00 p.m. Globe Hall

Montgomery College – Germantown Campus 20200 Observation Drive, Germantown

SOUTH AFRICA TODAY: ITS CHALLENGES AND TRIUMPHS

Before becoming the South African Ambassador to the United States, Ambassador Rasool was a Member of Parliament and the Governor of the Western Cape Province. Ambassador Rasool has a long history of involvement in the anti-apartheid struggle. He has also been a leader in the economic development of South Africa and the recipient of the Nelson Mandela Award for Health and Human Rights.

All events are free and open to the public. For more information, please visit the College's website at http://cms.montgomerycollege.edu/athenaeum or email joan.naake@montgomerycollege.edu

Seven Residents to be Inducted into 2014 Human Rights Hall of Fame

Sunday, October 12 3:00pm BlackRock Center for the Arts 12901 Town Commons Drive, Germantown

The Montgomery County Office of Human Rights (OHR) will recognize the honorees for their visionary leadership, outstanding achievements and altruism on the road to eliminating discrimination and advancing human rights. The Office of Human Rights' Hall of Fame began in 2001 and is held every other year. Almost 80 individuals have been inducted over the years. For a complete listing of inductees, go to www.montgomerycountymd.gov/humanrights. See press release https://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=14096

The event is free and open to the public!

ALTERNATE POLLING PLACES AVAILABLE

If you vote in the State of Maryland, you are assigned to a specific polling place. This is important because there are different local contests on the ballot. However, in some situations, you may request a different polling place. You may request a change in polling place for two reasons – accessibility concerns or religious principles.

<u>Accessibility Concerns:</u> For the 2014 Gubernatorial Elections, all Montgomery County polling places are compliant with Maryland State Board of Elections accessibility guidelines. Contact the Board of Elections if you have concerns about a specific disability.

<u>Religious Principles:</u> If your assigned polling place is a religious institution, and entering that site conflicts with your religious beliefs and practices, you may request a nearby polling place. **Reassignment request forms are available from the Maryland State Board of Elections at**

http://www.elections.state.md.us/pdf/Request_for_Accessible_Polling_Place.pdf, by calling Christine Rzeszut at 240-777-8585, or by e-mail to nancy.rzeszut@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Your request must be received by 9 p.m. October 14, 2014, for the General Election.

If a substitute polling place with the same contests on the ballot is not available, you may prefer to vote at an Early Voting Center or by mail. Early Voting will be held from October 23 - 30, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at nine Montgomery County locations. For more information, see www.777vote.org. For information on voting by mail, call 240-777-8550, or e-mail absentee@montgomerycountymd.gov. Your application for a ballot by mail must be received by October 28.

For other election information, call 240-777-VOTE, visit www.777vote.org, the Maryland State Board of Elections' website at http://elections.state.md.us, or follow the Montgomery County Board of Elections on Facebook or Twitter.

Volunteers Sought for Community Service Week Projects; 2014 Focus on Food Security http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR details.asp?PrID=14097

Health and Human Services to Hold Forum on FY2016 Operating Budget
Monday, October 20 6:00pm – 8:00pm
Children's Resource Center
332 W. Edmonston Drive, Rockville

Commissions and boards will have three minutes to speak and all others will have two minutes. To sign up to speak, call 240-777-1211 (voice) or 240-777-4575 (TTY) or email CommunityBudget.Forum@montgomerycountymd.gov by close of business Wednesday, October 15.

MONTGOMERY PARKS ANNOUNCES SEASONAL PARK CLOSURES FOR ANNUAL DEER MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS AND PROPOSED EXPANSIONS

Public comment sought through October 29 on eight new proposed park locations.

Montgomery Parks, part of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) will launch its Fall 2014, Winter 2015 deer management operations season on October 28. Several parks will be closed intermittently during the program which takes place through the end of February. Lottery-based and cooperative managed deer hunts, as well as Park Police-based sharpshooting, will take place in 28 parks in the Montgomery Parks system to address increasingly adverse impacts of the burgeoning deer population on local neighborhoods. (A complete schedule of park closure dates and times is listed at the end of the release.)

<u>Program Expansion and Public Comment</u> -_Montgomery Parks is currently seeking public comment through October 29 on adding eight parks to the program. The proposed parks, spanning 700 acres are inhabited by an estimated 191 – 241 deer, six times the recommended density, and include:

- Martin Luther King Jr. Recreational Park and Paint Branch Stream Valley Park between Rt. 29 (Columbia Pike) and Fairland Rd. including the attached Paint Branch Neighborhood Park, Pilgrim Hill Local Park, Tamarack Neighborhood Park and Valley Mill Special Park, and
- Red Door Store Historical Cultural Park

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Comments must include a valid name and address and may be submitted via email to MCP-deermanagment@montgomeryparks.org or by U.S. mail to:

M-NCPPC, Deer Management Initiatives 12535 Milestone Manor Lane Germantown, MD 20876.

All comments will be posted online at www.parksdeermanagement.org

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For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/csltmpl.asp?url=/content/council/news/news.asp Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news releases http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news releases http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news releases releases http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news releases http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news releases releases releases http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news releases releases http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news releases http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news <a href="http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news"

Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries http://www6.montgomery.countymd.gov/content/libraries/index.asp

Department of Recreation http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp

Department of Transportation http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html

Department of Environmental Protection http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp

Department of Permitting Services http://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx

Montgomery County Volunteer Center http://www.montgomeryserves.org

 $Office \ of \ Community \ Partnerships \ \underline{http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html}$

Commission for Women http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html